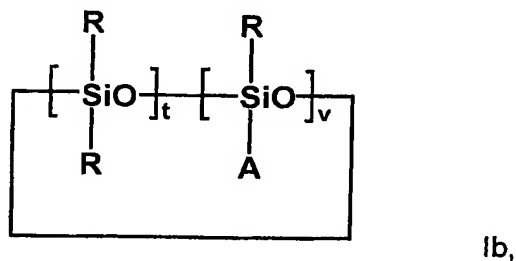
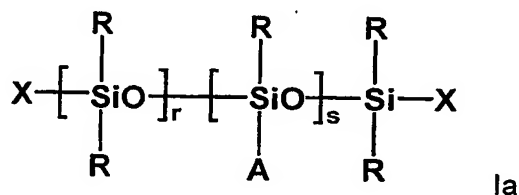


Claims:

1. Light protecting composition comprising
 - a) at least one polysiloxane-based UV filter,
 - b) at least one additional UV filter which chromophore contains appropriate bulky (sterically demanding) substituents,
 - c) a carrier for the components a), b) and d),
and optionally
 - d) additional UV filter(s)

with the proviso that 4,4'4''-(1,3,5-triazine-2,4,6-triyltriimino)-tris-benzoic-acid-tris(2-ethylhexylester) is not present in the composition.

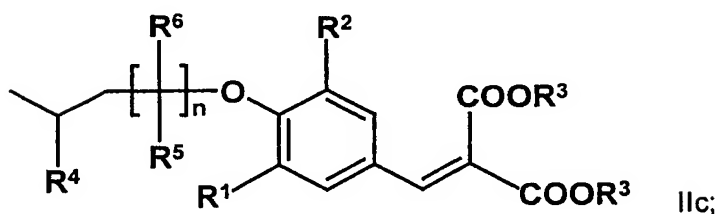
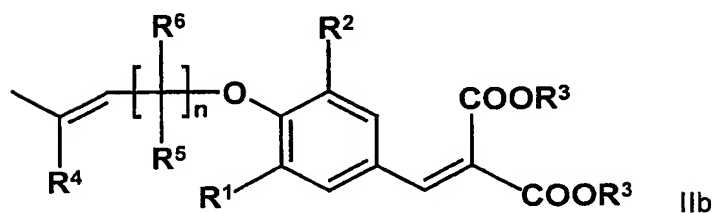
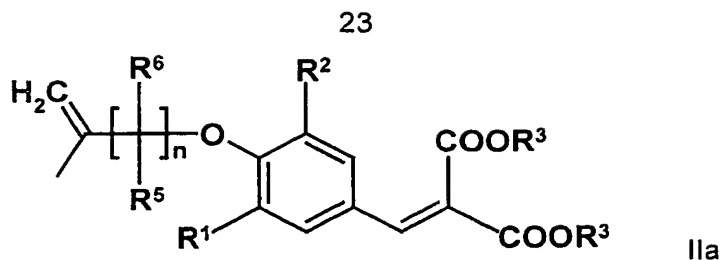
2. Light protecting composition according to any of claims 1 and 2, wherein the polysiloxane-based UV filter is a compound according to formula Ia or Ib:



wherein

X is R or A;

A is selected from formula IIa, IIb or IIc:



- R is hydrogen, C₁₋₆-alkyl or phenyl;
 R¹ and R² are each independently hydrogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₆-alkyl or C₁₋₆-alkoxy;
 R³ is C₁₋₆-alkyl;
 R⁴ is hydrogen or C₁₋₆-alkyl;
 R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently hydrogen or C₁₋₆-alkyl;
 r is from 0 to 250;
 s is from 0 to 20;
 r + s is at least 3;
 t is from 0 to 10;
 v is from 0 to 10;
 v + t is at least 3; and
 n is from 1 to 6;

with the proviso that when s is 0, at least one X is A.

3. Light protecting composition according to claim 3, wherein
 X is methyl,
 A is a group of the formula IIa or IIb,

R is methyl,
 R¹ and R² are each hydrogen,
 R³ is ethyl,
 R⁴ is hydrogen,
 R⁵ and R⁶ are hydrogen,
 r is a statistical mean value of about 60,
 s is a statistical mean value of about 4 and
 n is 1.

4. Light protecting compositions according to claim 1-3 where the bulky (sterically demanding) substituents of the UV filter(s) are diethylamino, t-butyl, 1,1,3,3-dimethylbutyl, camphor or silyl residues such as 2-methyl-3-[1,3,3,3-tetramethyl-1-[(trimethylsilyl)oxy]disiloxanyl]propyl- or 4-tris(trimethylsilyloxysilylpropyloxy).
5. Light protecting composition according to any of claims 1-4 wherein the UV filter(s) containing bulky substituents are selected from the group consisting of 2-(4-Diethylamino-2-hydroxy-benzoyl)-benzoic acid hexylester, 4-methyl benzylidene camphor, 3-benzylidenecamphor, butyl methoxydibenzoylmethane, homosalate, benzylidenecamphor sulfonic acid, methylene bis-benzotriazo tetramethylbutylphenol or drometrizole trisiloxane .
6. Light protecting composition according to any of claims 1-5 wherein the additional UV filter(s) d) are selected from phenylbenz-imidazole sulfonic acid, disodium phenyl dibenzimidazole tetrasulfonate, benzophenone- 3 and/ or benzophenone-4, TiO₂ and ZnO.
7. Light protecting composition according to claim 1 wherein the sum-amount of all UV filters a) is lower or equal to the sum-amount of all UV filters b) and d).
8. Method to increase the ratio of the *sunprotecting factor* to the *total UV filter amount*, the method comprising
 - a) the addition of a polysiloxane-based UV filter in order to reduce the amount of a UV filter which is liquid at room temperature (25°C) by which the total UV filter amount will be reduced, and
 - b) the addition of UV filter(s) containing bulky groups and , and optionally
 - c) the addition of UV filter(s) which are not liquid at room temperature (25°C)

in order to increase the sunprotecting factor of the light protecting composition.

9. Method according to claim 8, wherein the UV filter which is liquid at room temperature (25°C) is selected from the group consisting of octocrylene, ethylhexyl methoxycinnamate, PEG-25 PABA, isoamyl p-methoxycinnamate and octyl dimethyl PABA.
10. Method according to any of claims 8 to 9, wherein the UV filter(s) containing bulky substituents are selected from the group consisting of 2-(4-Diethylamino-2-hydroxybenzoyl)-benzoic acid hexylester, 4-methyl benzylidene champhor, 3-benzylidenecamphor, butyl methoxydibenzoylmethane, homosalate, benzylidenecamphor sulfonic acid, methylene bis-benzotriazole tetramethylbutylphenol or drometrizole trisiloxane
11. Method according to any of claims 8 to 10, wherein the UV filter(s) which is not liquid at room temperature (25°C) is selected from the group consisting of, phenylbenzimidazole sulfonic acid, disodium phenyl dibenzimidazole, tetrasulfonate ethylhexy triazone, diethylhexyl butamido triazone, bis-ethylhexyloxyphenol methoxyphenyl triazine, benzophenone- 3 and/ or benzophenone-4 , TiO_2 and ZnO .